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Arranged date 6:30 p.m. local (5:30 EST) with Goulart accompanied Bond and Colonel Walters. Had sought unsuccessfully secure presence Hermes Lima and Kruei, but neither available.

I introduced subject as most grave, summarizing evidence on Soviet offensive buildup in Cuba. Goulart visibly shocked and interrupted to say Rusk himself 3 weeks ago had emphasized defensive character Soviet weapons. If offensive buildup true, he said no doubt about Brazil's solidarity with U.S.

We then gave running oral translation speech through part three (part four received only after interview). He listened carefully, noted vigorous character statements on Soviets, and said

At same time, Goulart seemed somewhat surprised at mildness action step one. He had mistakenly thought that blockade against arms importation already in effect. I explained this not so, and that new step included stoppage and search Soviet as well as other vessels. I also explained that Latin American Ambassadors were being briefed at that moment, with presentation photographs and other intelligence evidence nature offensive buildup. He expressed most intense interest this evidence, saying proofs would be critical to his ability

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